Karnataka at the minimum cost are as listed below:

(i) Wide range of plans for different segments of residential and broadband customers.

(ii) Reducing the minimum tariff of broadband plans to Rs. 250 and also providing competitive tariff in the market in all other plans.

(iii) Country wide single toll free number 16004241600 for any type of enquiry.

(iv) Encouraging existing dial up internet customers to upgrade to broadband connections by providing them with free registration and installation of plan 250 broadband connection and also providing them with a free trial offer for 2 months.

(v) Engaging engineering students for undertaking the job of sale and installation of broadband connection.

(vi) Distribution of pamphlets and leaflets through telephone bills, newspapers and other channels containing FAQs on broadband for the benefit of customers and other marketing initiatives.

(vii) Giving presentation and demonstrations to subscribers in collegs, universities and corporate houses regarding the usefulness of broadband in their business.

(viii) Providing a choice of different types of customer premises equipment including that with wi-fi interface.

(ix) Offering bundled Personal Computor (PC) and Broadband connections.

(b) The amount spent so far in this regard in Karnataka by BSNL is around Rs. 38 crores and around Rs. 8 crores is proposed to be spent further for the year 2005-06.

Service tax on the largest source of revenue

3221. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to the ASSOCHAM-ECO PLUS study released recently, the Communications Ministry is getting its largest source of revenue through service tax and is going to get Rs. 12,650 crores by 2007-08;

(b) if so, the anticipated subscriber base in the country, State-wise, by 2007-08; land-line-wise and mobile-wise;

(c) the details of services provided by Ministry in the country; and

(d) the break-up of revenue, the Department of Telecommunication is getting through different services, service-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Service Tax is not a part of the revenue of the Ministry of Communications. Service Tax is recovered by the service providers from its customers and credited to the Central excise and Customs Department (Ministry of Finance).

(b) Anticipated subscriber base in the whole country by 31.12.2007 is 250 millions which includes both landline and mobile connections. This will be met by Government as well as private operators. Circle-wise anticipated base in respect of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) is given in the Statement (*See* below)

(c) Services being provided by the Government PSU's *viz.* BSNL and MTNL are (i) Basic Telephone services on landline along with supplementary services like call waiting, call forwarding, do not disturb, alarm, hotline. It also includes both PTN & ISDN Services (ii) Mobile Services (iii) WLL (Wireless in Local Loop) Services (iv) Data CommunicationServices (v) Leased Lines VPN (Virtual Private Network) (vi) Internet with E-Mail (vii) E-services. (viii) Broadband Services including High Speed Internet. and (ix) Value Added Services on both landline and Mobile connections.

(d) The Department of Telecommunication is getting revenue in the form of Licence Fees and Spectrum Charges which is directly credited to the General Revenue. The estimated receipts on this score for 2005-06 and 2006-07 are as under:

(Rs. in crores)

	2005-06	2006-07
Licence Fee	6100.45	6024.01
Spectrum Charges	1060.00	1325.00

Statement

Circle-wise anticipated subscribers base by 2007-08

Sl. No.	Telecom Circles	Basic services (including wireline and WLL)	Mobile services	Total
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andaman and Nicobar	42600	61900	104500

1	2	3	4	5
2.	Andhra Pradesh	3622900	5661800	9284700
3.	Assam	678000	1447700	2125700
4.	Bihar	1924800	4223900	6148700
5.	Chhattisgarh	372200	1020100	1392300
6.	Gujarat	3108800	4004200	7113000
7.	Haryana	1749000	1903100	3652100
8.	Himachal Pradesh	811800	913400	1725200
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	594700	1251700	1846400
10.	Jharkhand	585000	1788300	2373300
11.	Karnataka	3380800	6964300	10345100
12.	Kerala	6805400	3964500	10769900
13.	Madhya Pradesh	1592800	2544900	4137700
14.	Maharashtra	5152500	5814700	10967200
15.	North East-I	265300	603700	869000
16.	North East-II	215700	1149200	1364900
17.	Orissa	1057500	2991100	4048600
19.	Punjab	2641000	2591400	5232400
19.	Rajasthan	2864600	3157000	6021600
20.	Tamil Nadu	3376200	4795400	8171600
21.	Uttaranchal	444000	1047600	1491600
22.	Uttar Pradesh(East)	2448400	4495400	6943800
23.	Uttar Pradesh(West)	1581800	3667900	5249700
24.	West Bengal	2377700	2420900	4798600
25.	Kolkata	1585400	3873600	5459000
26.	Chennai	1048700	1219700	2268400
27.	MTNL (Delhi/Mumbai)	4074000	4000000	8074000